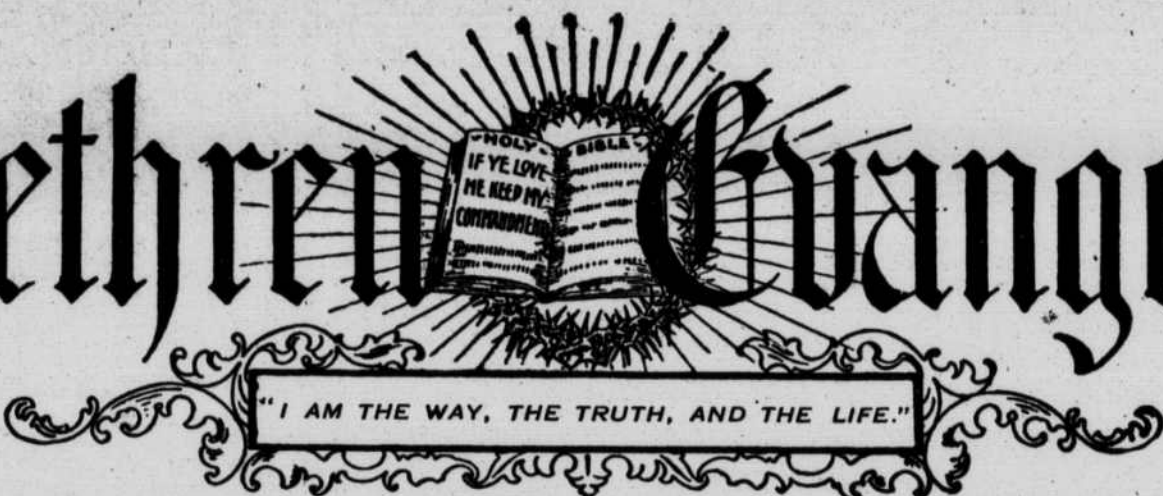


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THE brethren at Nappanee, Ind., have begun work on their new church.

THE last two numbers of *Our Little Folks* and the last two numbers of *Cheering Words*, for September were mailed last week.

IN making up your order for Sunday-school literature for next quarter do not forget to include in it an order for *Cheering Words*.

Is the work of the General Conference done? No, it has only *begun*. The plans are laid but it remains for us to execute these plans.

THE paper will be a day or two late next week. Just at this time we are crowded with work and must ask the indulgence of our patrons.

IN our editorial review of the Conference work, we should have stated that at one of the evening services Dr. Duncan McGregor was ordained to the Christian Ministry in the Brethren church.

It is reported that out of fifty thousand English clergymen invited to preach in favor of the Sunday opening of museums in England, only fifty-nine consented and half of these were Unitarians. Thus the Sabbath is upheld and retains its hold upon the people.

There will be communion services in the Fair Haven church on Saturday evening, September 19, and in the Ashland City Church, Sunday evening, September 20.

WHY use them? That is, why use Brethren Quarterlies in our Sundayschools? For the same reason exactly that you prefer a Brethren pastor in your pulpit. Why not let teachers and superintendents of other denominations manage your schools? Or why not get "undenominational" teachers, superintendents and pastors? Brethren Sunday-school literature upholds and teaches the principles of the Brethren church.

A NEW church has been dedicated at Riddlesburg, Pa. The church was organized by brother E. H. Smith, pastor of the New Enterprise, Pa., congregation. Read the communication from brother S. L. Buck, giving a report of the dedication, and you will learn what *can* be done when there is a *will* to do it. We congratulate Brother Smith and his people, for this monument of their zeal and devotion.

WHAT will women do when they get into office? We are unable to answer this question, but from the *National Temperance Advocate*, it is clear that men will have to be subject to the "powers that be." It says:

When the voters of Ellis, Kansas, elected a city government of women, there were those who called it a farce. But never were women more dead-ly in earnest, and they were not long in showing they meant business: for hardly had the mayor and women councilmen taken their seats before they went after the scalp of a noted joint keeper who had, because of his wealth and political influence, always escaped trouble. At the trial he was convicted, and he appealed to the District Court, which sustained the verdict. He appealed to the Appellate Court and was defeated. He then on a writ of habeas corpus had his case brought before another judge, but was remanded back to jail, where he must remain for thirty days and pay a fine of \$100. A few more women city governments and our cities would be freer from corruption and crime than they are to-day.

HERE is a mathematical problem: There are about 1000 persons who have not yet paid their EVANGELIST for the year 1896. At \$1.50 each, what will it amount to?

BROTHER Martin Shively has gone to California where he has engaged to preach for the Brethren. Brother Shively is not only an able expounder of the Word but an excellent pastor also. In him the Brethren church in Ohio loses one of its most earnest and ablest workers, but fortunately what Ohio loses, California gains. May success crown our brother's efforts in his new field of labor.

THE *Christian Advocate* of New York, reports the following very curious coincidence:

A short time ago the pastor of one of our churches in New York East Conference preached the last sermon prior to his departing for his vacation from I Cor. 13:13: "And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three: but the greatest of these is charity," and basing his discourse on the last clause. The following Sunday the doctor of divinity who served as a supply selected the identical text for the basis of one of his discourses, much to the surprise and amusement of his congregation. The next Sunday another minister supplied the pulpit and preached the morning sermon from I Cor. 13:8, first clause, "Charity never faileth." The third preacher was informed of the coincidence before he began to preach, but he decided to face the inevitable smiling congregation and deliver his message, which he did to their great spiritual benefit.

No doubt several more sermons on the same text could be preached to the "spiritual benefit" of that congregation as well as to thousands of others. It is said that Mr. Moody once preached six successive sermons from John 3:16, "God so loved the world" etc. During his journey through England and Scotland, the tabernacle in which he preached these sermons burned down, and on his return, he took the same text, saying: "The old tabernacle is burned down but the old text is still here as good as ever." There are some texts from which a hundred sermons could be preached, yet not exhaust them.